the student meets all of the following requirements:

- (a) Is a citizen or national of the United States or meets the residency requirements for Federal student financial assistance.
- (b) Is enrolled at the grantee institution or accepted for enrollment in the next academic term at that institution.
- (c) Has a need for academic support, as determined by the grantee, in order to pursue successfully a postsecondary educational program.
 - (d) Is—
 - (1) A low-income individual;
- (2) A first generation college student; or
 - (3) An individual with disabilities.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-14)

§ 646.4 What activities and services may a project provide?

A Student Support Services project may provide services such as:

- (a) Instruction in reading, writing, study skills, mathematics, and other subjects necessary for success beyond secondary school.
 - (b) Personal counseling.
- (c) Academic advice and assistance in course selection.
- (d) Tutorial services and counseling and peer counseling.
- (e) Exposure to cultural events and academic programs not usually available to disadvantaged students.
- (f) Activities designed to acquaint students participating in the project with the range of career options available.
- (g) Activities designed to secure admission and financial assistance for enrollment in graduate and professional programs.
- (h) Activities designed to assist students currently enrolled in two-year institutions in securing admission and financial assistance for enrollment in a four-year program of postsecondary education.
- (i) Mentoring programs involving faculty or upper class students, or any combination of faculty members and upper class students.
- (j) Programs and activities as described in paragraphs (a) through (i) of this section that are specifically de-

signed for students of limited English proficiency.

(k) Other activities designed to meet the purposes of the Student Support Services Program stated in §646.1.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-14)

§ 646.5 How long is a project period?

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, a project period under the Student Support Services Program is four years.
- (b) The Secretary approves a project period of five years for applicants that score in the highest ten percent of all applicants approved for new grants under the criteria in §646.21.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-11)

§ 646.6 What regulations apply?

The following regulations apply to the Student Support Services Program:

- (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 82, 85 and 86.
 - (b) The regulations in this part 646.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-11 and 1070a-14)

§ 646.7 What definitions apply?

(a) Definitions in the Act. The following terms used in this part are defined in sections 402(A)(g), 481, or 1201(a) of the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended:

First generation college student Institution of higher education Low-income individual

(b) *Definitions in EDGAR.* The following terms used in this part are defined in 34 CFR 77.1:

Applicant Fiscal year Application Grant Grant Period Award Budget Grantee Budget Period Project Department Project period **EDGAR** Public Equipment. Secretary Supplies Facilities

(c) *Other definitions.* The following definitions also apply to this part:

Academic need with reference to a student means a student whom the grantee determines needs one or more of the services stated under §646.4 to succeed